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SUBJECT: DEATH OF AMERICAN SEAMAN FRANK CASIMIN PRZYBYPSKA

REF: SAPPORO 0099 AND PREVIOUS

1. DEPARTMENT CONTACTED MRS. RUTH BERNSTEIN RE PARAGRAPH 4 OF REFTEL MRS. BERNSTEIN REPORTS SHE RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM A. LUCCINO QUOTE: WE RAYMOND AND JOANNE PRZYBYPSKA AUTHORIZE AND GRANT PERMISSION TO YOU AS AGENT FOR VESSEL OWNER FOR BURIAL OF FRANK IN JAPAN. UNQUOTE. SHE CONFIRMS THAT AUTHORIZATION RETURNED TO LUCCINO FOR LOCAL BURIAL OF REMAINS. SHE REQUESTS LOCAL BURIAL INSTEAD OF CREMATION IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. DEPARTMENT INFORMED HER THAT LIKELY REASON FOR CREMATION IS DUE TO SHORTAGE OF CEMETERIES AVAILABLE IN JAPAN. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES MRS. BERNSTEIN NOW SATISFIED WITH REASON GIVEN FOR CREMATION AND BURIAL. SHE HOWEVER, REQUEST NIECE AND NEPHEW BE PROVIDED WITH ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF BURIAL SITE.

2. MRS. OLIVE DE YOUNG CONNELLY ADVISED DEPARTMENT THAT SHE PROVIDED AUTHORIZATION TO MR. LUCCINO FOR CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL AS SHE UNABLE TO DEFRAID COST OF BURIAL IN U.S.

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FYI. IN TALKING TO MRS. BERNSTEIN AND MRS. CONNELLY, WE
OF THE OPINION THEY HAVE BEEN LEAD TO BELIEVE BY MARITIME
OVERSEAS CORPORATION THAT COST OF SHIPMENT REMAINS TO U.S.
EXTRAORDINARILY HIGH AND THAT CREMATION AND BURIAL MORE
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